

WEDNESDAY, January 27, 1858.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment—prayer by the Chaplain—roll called, quorum present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and adopted.

Mr. Caldwell presented the petition of Simpson Robinson and Mary E. Keith ; referred to the committee on Private Land Claims.

Mr. Russell, Chairman of the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported a joint resolution to procure the establishment of a weekly overland mail route from some point in Texas to California, correctly engrossed.

A message was received from the House, informing the Senate that the House refuse to concur in the amendments of the Senate to a bill to purchase a permanent site for the Institution for the instruction of the Deaf and Dumb.

Mr. Guinn made the following report :

The committee on Claims and Accounts have considered a House bill making appropriations for the payment of certain claims therein mentioned, and instruct me, as they find the accounts properly approved by the commissioner of claims, to recommend its passage.

On motion of Mr. Guinn, the rule was suspended, bill read second time and passed to a third reading.

Rule further suspended, bill read a third time and passed.

Mr. McCulloch made the following reports :

The committee on Counties and County Boundaries, to which was referred the petition of sundry citizens of Liberty county, asking the creation of a new county out of portions of the counties of Liberty and Jefferson, have considered the same, and instruct me to report the accompanying bill and recommend its passage :—

A bill to create the county of Chambers ; read first time.

On motion of Mr. Pedigo, the rule was suspended, bill read second time and ordered to be engrossed.

Rule further suspended, bill read a third time and passed.

Mr. Quinan, Chairman of the committee on Education, to which was referred the memorial of the Texas Orphan Asylum, reported a bill donating to the Institution eight leagues of land, and recommended it to the consideration of the Senate :—

A bill donating eight leagues of land to the Texas Orphan Asylum ; read first time.

Mr. Martin made the following report :

The committee on Private Land Claims have considered a bill for the relief of Henry Hilton, and instruct me to recommend its passage.

Mr. Potter introduced a bill extending the appropriation and the time for making the contract for letting out the improvements to be made in Galveston and St. Louis Bays, &c.; read first and second times, and referred to the committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. McCulloch introduced a bill to incorporate the Guadalupe Bridge Company; read first time.

On motion of Mr. McCulloch, the rule was suspended, bill read second time and ordered to be engrossed.

Rule further suspended, bill read a third time and passed by the following vote :

YEAS—Messrs. Britton, Burroughs, Caldwell, Erath, Fall, Graham, Grimes, Guinn, Herbert, Hyde, McCulloch, Martin, Maverick, Paschal, Pedigo, Pirkey, Potter, Quinan, Russell, Stockdale, Tankersly, Taylor of Cass, Taylor of Houston, Throckmorton, Truitt, Walker, Whaley, and Wren—28.

NAYS—None.

On motion of Mr. Wren, a bill for the relief of Thomas Powell was taken up, read and ordered to be engrossed.

Rule suspended, bill read a third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Britton, a House bill, supplemental to and amendatory of an act to provide for the investment of the special school fund in the bonds of railroad companies incorporated by the State, approved Aug. 13th, 1856, was taken up, read second time and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Britton, the rule was suspended, and bill read a third time.

On motion of Mr. Guinn, a call of the Senate was ordered.

Absent—Messrs. Erath, Herbert, Pedigo, Potter, Scarborough and Whaley.

On motion of Mr. Truitt, the vote taken last night, refusing to engross a bill for the relief of the county surveyor of Parker county, was reconsidered.

On motion of Mr. Walker, the vote adopting the amendment offered to the bill by Mr. Throckmorton was also reconsidered.

On motion of Mr. Stockdale, the amendment was laid on the table.

The bill was then ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Walker, the rule was suspended, and bill read a third time.

Mr. Russell moved to lay the bill on the table ; lost.

Mr. Martin moved to refer the bill to the committee on State Affairs ; lost.

The bill was then passed.

On motion of Mr. Britton, the call of the Senate was suspended.

Mr. Taylor of Fannin moved to refer the bill, which was under consideration, to the Judiciary committee.

On motion of Mr. Britton, the motion was laid on the table.

Mr. Taylor of Fannin offered the following amendment :

“ Provided, should said bonds or bond, contemplated in this act, be not paid at maturity, then and in that case it shall be the duty of the Attorney General to file said bond, with the security, in the District Court of Nueces county ; upon which bond the court shall render judgment thereon, and execution shall immediately issue ; upon which execution the Sheriff of Nueces county shall proceed to sell the property given as security for the payment of said bond, and shall be sold to the highest bidder for cash, and should there be no bidder, it shall be the duty of said Sheriff to bid the same off to the State ; provided, that said Sheriff shall, before said sale, advertise the same at the court-house door of Nueces county, and in some newspaper published in said county, at least thirty days before said sale.”

Upon the adoption of which the yeas and nays, being called, stood thus :

YEAS—Messrs. Burroughs, Caldwell, Fall, Graham, Grimes, Guinn, Lott, Martin, Russell, Taylor of Cass, Taylor of Fannin, Truitt, Walker and Wren—14.

NAYS—Messrs. Britton, Herbert, Hyde, McCulloch, Maverick, Paschal, Pedigo, Pirkey, Potter, Quinan, Shepard, Stockdale, Tankersly, Taylor of Houston, Throckmorton and Whaley—16.

So the amendment was rejected, and the bill passed by the following vote :

YEAS—Messrs. Britton, Caldwell, Grimes, Hyde, McCulloch, Maverick, Paschal, Pedigo, Potter, Quinan, Shepard, Stockdale, Tankersly, Taylor of Houston, Throckmorton, Truitt, Whaley and Wigfall—18.

NAYS—Messrs. Burroughs, Fall, Graham, Guinn, Herbert,

Lott, Martin, Pirkey, Russell, Taylor of Cass, Taylor of Fannin, Walker and Wren—13.

Mr. Russell moved to adjourn until 7 o'clock P. M.; lost.

Mr. Martin moved to adjourn until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

On motion of Mr. McCulloch, the Senate adjourned until 3 o'clock, P. M.

3 O'CLOCK, P. M.

The Senate met—roll called—quorum present.

A message was received from the Governor transmitting the following communication :

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, }
JANUARY 27, 1858. }

To the HON. F. R. LUBBOCK,

President of the Senate :

SIR :—Having become satisfied that the information was erroneous, on which my action was predicated, in the case of Mary A. Collins, I respectfully ask leave of the Senate to withdraw the message on that subject, and that the bill may be returned for approval.

H. R. RUNNELS.

On motion of Mr. Stockdale, the request of the Governor was complied with.

On motion of Mr. Taylor of Cass, the Senate adjourned until 7 o'clock P. M.

7 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Senate met—roll called—quorum present.

A message was received from the House, informing the Senate that the House had passed a House bill to encourage the reclamation of slaves escaping beyond the limits of the slave territories of the United States.

And the following bills originating in the Senate :

A bill concerning writs of certiorari from Justices courts.

A joint resolution allowing Wm. S. Todd, Judge of the 8th Judicial District, leave of absence from the State.

A joint resolution relating to frontier protection. And

A joint resolution relative to the establishment of a weekly overland mail route.

And the following Senate's bills, with amendments :

A bill to incorporate the Columbus, San Antonio and Rio Grande Railway Company. And

A bill to ascertain what land certificates have been illegally issued by the County Courts of counties in Peters' colony, and to provide for issuing patents on such of said certificates as are legal.

And that the House had appointed Messrs. Joseph, Gaston, Aycock, Scott, and Higgins, a committee of conference on the part of the House, upon the amendments of the Senate to a House bill for the purchase of the Alamo Monument.

The bill pertaining to stock and stock raisers, special order, was taken up and read.

On motion of Mr. Britton, the bill was then read by sections.

On motion of Mr. Stockdale, the bill was amended by adding to section first—

“Provided the said water-hole or tank is at the residence of the owner, and enclosed.”

On motion of Mr. Russell, the second section of the bill was stricken out.

Mr. Russell moved to refer the bill to the committee on State Affairs.

On motion of Mr. Britton, the motion was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Stockdale, the 3d section was amended by inserting “emigrate” before “from,” and after “or,” in second line ; and by striking out “similar.” wherever it occurs and inserting, in lieu thereof, “the same.”

On motion of Mr. Stockdale, the Senate went into a committee of the whole on the bill.

[Mr. STOCKDALE in the Chair.]

After a partial consideration of the bill, the committee arose, recommended the adoption of the amendments and the passage of the bill.

On motion of Mr. Paschal, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.